

Veterinary Technology (AAS-VET)

Program Location: Bay Minette Campus and Online

Nursing and Allied Health Division

Length: Five Semesters

This program is designed to provide students the opportunity to acquire knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to enter the Veterinary Technology services occupation as employees of veterinary offices and clinics. Upon completion of the program, students are eligible to apply for the licensure exam as administered by the American Association of Veterinary State Boards and the Alabama State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners.

This program is offered online; however, students must come to campus at designated dates and attend weekly clinicals at an approved veterinary facility in Alabama. Students who do not have previous veterinary experience must complete clinical hours in an approved clinical site in Mobile or Baldwin County. Program admission is Spring Semester. A separate veterinary technology application is due by November 1 of the preceding year.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

1. Unconditional admission to Coastal Alabama and active student in good standing.
2. Submit all transcripts to admissions.
3. Submit Veterinary Technology Application by stated deadline.
4. Complete or be in the process of completing the following four required general education courses prior to application deadline with a grade of C or higher: ENG 101, MTH 100, SPH 107, and BIO 103.
5. Provide proof of medical insurance.
6. Must be 18 years of age by the beginning of the fall semester in the program.
7. Submit Veterinary Technician Job Observation and Interview Questionnaire.
8. Submit the recorded statement of interest and intent included in the Veterinary Technology Application.
9. Meet the essential eligibility criteria or technical standards required for veterinary technology.

Completion of the above requirements does not guarantee admission into the program. Prospective students are rank ordered based on a point system to determine acceptance into the program. Please contact the Veterinary Technology division if you have any questions or need any assistance completing the application.

Students are selected based on the following point system:

1. 30 points for an A, 20 points for a B, and 10 points for a C in ENG 101, MTH 100, and BIO 103.
2. 10 points for a GPA of 3.1-4.0, 5 points for a GPA of 2.1-3.0, 0 points for GPA of 2.0 or less.
3. Five points for an advanced Math, 5 points for BIO 201, and 5 points for BIO 202 with a C or higher.
4. Five points for veterinary experience.

Students in process of taking core pre-requisites during the Fall Semester at time of application may be accepted into the program on a provisional basis and may begin the program Spring Semester provided the pre-requisites are passed with a "C" or higher.

Students must have access to a computer with high speed internet connection and video capabilities/web cam and provide own transportation to clinical sites. Coastal Alabama Community College Library Services provides rental of computers for current students, if needed. All VET courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher for satisfactory progression and graduation.

This is a career program designed for students to go directly into the labor market upon completion. Although some of the courses in this program will transfer to four-year institutions, this program is not designed to be a transfer program of study; therefore, it is not subject to the terms and conditions of Alabama Transfers state transfer and articulation reporting system.

The Veterinary Technology Program at Coastal Alabama Community College is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities (CVTEA).

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<https://www.avma.org/education/center-for-veterinary-accreditation/accreditation-veterinary-technicians>

Subject: Nursing and Allied Health

Type: A.A.S.

Courses Required for Program Application

Please note that MTH 116, Mathematical Applications, does not fulfill the Math requirement.

ORI 101, Orientation to College, is required for first time college students.

Item #	Title	Credits
BIO 103	Principles of Biology I	4
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
MTH 100	Intermediate College Algebra	3
	SPH 106 or SPH 107	3

Semester One (Spring)

Item #	Title	Credits
VET 110	Vet Tech Clinics I	2
VET 112	Introduction to Vet Technology	5
VET 114	Clinical Anatomy & Physiology of Animals	5
	Social Science/History Elective (3 SH)	3

Semester Two (Summer)

Item #	Title	Credits
VET 120	Vet Tech Clinics II	3
VET 124	Clinical Procedures & Pathology	4
VET 236	Vet Microbiology & Parasitology	3
VET 242	Animal Nutrition and Laboratory Animals	3

Semester Three (Fall)

Item #	Title	Credits
VET 126	Animal Diseases & Immunology	3
VET 230	Vet Tech Clinics III	3
VET 232	Anesthesia and Diagnostic Imaging	4
VET 234	Animal Pharmacology & Toxicology	3
	Humanities and Fine Arts Elective (I)	3

Semester Four (Spring)

Item #	Title	Credits
VET 122	Vet Tech Emergencies & First Aid	5
VET 240	Vet Tech Clinics IV	3
VET 244	Seminar in Veterinary Technology	3
VET 250	Vet Tech Preceptorship	3
	Total credits:	71